



MEETING
AGENDA
FOR TUESDAY
AND WEDNESDAY
JUNE 27-28, 2006

CALIFORNIA POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

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TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2006

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9:00 a.m. - Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes of the March 28-29 and May 15, 2006, Meetings

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Report of the Chair, Howard Welinsky

The Chair will discuss issues of interest to the Commission.

Report of the Executive Director,
Murray J. Haberman

Director Haberman will present information on topics of current interest.

Report of the Statutory Advisory Committee,
Robert Oakes, *Chair*

Mr. Oakes will report on the Statutory Advisory Committee meeting held on June 21, 2006.

9:30 a.m.

Developing a Statewide Higher Education
Affordability Policy

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This report addresses the “affordability crisis” in higher education today and outlines the Commission’s principles, key statistics on debt burden, and the increased costs associated with college or university attendance. A panel of experts has been invited to discuss the issues in order to assist the Commission in the development of policy initiatives focused on containing the total cost of attending a college or university.

Panel #1: Overview – Sam Kipp, President, EdFund; Pam Burdman, Hewlett Foundation

Panel #2: Segmental Views – Kate Jeffrey, UC; Mary Robinson, CSU; Jonathan Brown, AICCU; TBD CCC

Panel #3: Students/Consumers – UC Students (panelist TBD), CSU Students (panelist TBD)

Lunch

The Commissioners will dine during the noon hour.

1:30 p.m.

The Road Ahead: Recommendations for
Enhancing the Evaluation Process of Academic
Preparation Programs

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This report contains an examination of the findings contained in the University of California’s 2006 report to the Legislature on the effectiveness of academic preparation programs. Commission

recommendations are outlined for enhancing the University's evaluation process. *Presenter:* Stacy Wilson.

Staff Recommended Action: Commission adoption of the report for appropriate action and transmittal.

Academic and Vocational Programs and Plans Proposed by the Public Higher Education Systems, 2005-06 4

This report highlights planning considerations of the three public higher education systems that are intended to address important aspects of California's social, workforce, and labor market needs. These include: (1) health sciences expansion plans under consideration by the University of California, (2) education doctoral program expansion under consideration by the California State University, and (3) development of a new labor market demand and supply forecasting tool for the planning process of local community colleges. Also included is an analysis of the segmental program proposals received by the Commission the past year. *Presenters:* Stacy Wilson and Jessika Nobles Jones.

Staff Recommended Action: Commission adoption of the report for appropriate action and transmittal.

Legislative Update, June 2006 5

This item discusses legislative proposals tracked by Commission staff for the 2006-07 legislative session. The Commission will consider staff recommendations on selected bills. *Presenter:* Sherri Orland.

Staff Recommended Action: Commission adoption of the report for appropriate action and transmittal.

University Eligibility: Are Locally Reported Figures Comparable to the Commission's Estimates? 6

This paper compares *a-g* course completion rates with actual eligibility rates from the Commission's 2003 University Eligibility Study. *Presenter:* Adrian Griffin.

4:30 p.m.

Executive Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(8), the California Postsecondary Education Commission may meet in closed session.

5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

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2006-07 State Budget Update

This oral update summarizes recent developments in the 2006-07 State budget. *Presenter:* Kevin Woolfork.

The Gender Gap in California Higher Education 7

This paper provides an overview of the gender gap in California higher education, particularly in the state's four-year colleges and universities. The paper explores the underrepresentation of males in all ethnic groups and looks at the impact of the gap on enrollment, degree attainment, and enrollment in specific academic disciplines. *Presenters:* Karen Humphrey and Naveen Chaudhary.

Have They Finished Yet? Time to Degree 8

Staff will present an analysis of data from the Commission's Longitudinal Student Data System. This analysis tracks freshmen entering UC and CSU in Fall 2000 and presents graduation rates for full-time students. *Presenter:* Adrian Griffin.

**On the Path to Higher Education Accountability:
Recommendations from the Accountability
Advisory Committee 9**

This paper provides an update of recent work completed by the Commission's Accountability Advisory Committee. It details goals, performance measures, and the research outline agreed upon by the Committee. *Presenter:* Jessika Nobles Jones.

11:00 a.m.

**Presentation: Matt Gandal, Achieve, Inc.,
Washington, DC.**

Mr. Gandal is Executive Vice President of Achieve, Inc., which has worked with the Education Trust and other organizations to strengthen the preparation of high school graduates and restore value to the American high school diploma. In 2005, Achieve co-sponsored a summit of the nation's governors, along with K-12 and postsecondary educators and corporate leaders, to look at the way students are prepared for both college and the jobs of the 21st Century. Mr. Gandal will provide data on the gaps in high school preparation and ways to close those gaps.

Other Business

12:00 p.m.

Adjournment